

In the name of God Amen this ninth Day of December, 1747  
I Harmon Merselius of Piscataway in the County of Middlesex in  
the Eastern Division of the province of New Jersey being very Sick and  
weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thank be unto  
God therefore bealing to mind the mortality of my body & knowing  
that is Appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain  
this my last will and Testament that is to say, principally and  
first of all I give and Recommend my Soul unto the hands of  
Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to  
the earth to be buried in such Decent and Christian like  
manner as shall seem meet and convenient to the  
Discretion of my Executors hereafter named nothing doubting  
but at the Generall Resurrection I shall Receive the Same  
Again and as Touching such worldly Estate, wherewith  
it has pleased God to bless me with I give demise and dispose of the  
Same in the following manner  
I give and bequeath unto Hannah my Dearly and  
beloved wife, my Negro wench called Bit here Bedding house  
Bridle and Saddle one Leabboard and Bilsteed Table One  
Bedstead bed curtains and Apparell therunto belonging &  
One half Dozen Chairs and the one half the future that is  
now belonging or appertaining to me, to here solely as her  
own ~~present~~ property for ever I then I give and bequeath  
unto my beloved Son John Merselius this my present  
dwelling house with all the land from About Twenty  
Yards to the westward of my said house to the South  
or South East Side as far as my land Reaches that way  
Running Down that width the whole length of my plantation so  
that both End thereof is the Same width with the Twenty yard  
to the westward or that way of my said house to the Extent of  
my plantation South or South westward or Towards that  
course so that the whole Sothely or Southeasterly part from About



prudence marzales

1741  
The above is a copy of a will  
1741



Twenty yards to the westward of the house as Aforesaid to the  
Extent of my said plantation I bequeath As Aforesaid unto  
my said said beloved son, with a certain Tract of land of forty  
Acres along the Greenbrook beginning at the west end of the  
Island at a Black walnut Sapling and running as the deed  
Expresses which is the land I purchased of Joseph Hull Together  
with all the privileges and Appurtenances thereof to him &  
his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved  
Son Peter Merselius all the other part of this my plantation  
which is to say, the westward side thereof running as far Eastward  
as to the Aforesaid Twenty yards to the westward of the house  
Aforesaid with a certain Tract of land of land of forty  
Acres lying under the Mountain ~~at~~ beginning at John Veils  
Corner with all the ~~same~~ privileges and Appurtenances  
thereof to him and his heirs for ever. Item my will is that all  
my movables be sold (only Excepted as Aforesaid, and After  
my funeral Charges my just debts be paid by my Executors  
but in case the Amount of what the Movables is sold  
for should not be sufficient to discharge said debt then my  
will is that my Executors take up such Sum or Sums of  
money as will be sufficient to discharge the Residue thereof  
and that the mortgage the plantation I now live on for the  
Security thereof which is to be Redeemed or Cleared by my  
two said Sons John and Peter Merselius Ten pounds of  
which my said John is to pay Towards the Clearance of  
said Mortgage more than his brother Peter which is to be  
Taken up or discharged when the youngest of them attain  
to the years of Twenty one. Item That all my Real Estate  
be rented out by my Executors for the use of the Instruction of  
my Children who are to be put to some Suitable Trade as  
such times as they arrive to proper years. Item my will is that  
my beloved wife ~~is to be~~ Allowed out of the benefits of my Real  
Estate Ten pounds yearly During the Term she remains  
my



Signed Sealed published  
Monounced and Declared by  
the said Herman Marsalis as  
his last will and Testament  
in the presence of with  
Memorandum of the  
Interiminations hereof  
Frederick Vermeule John  
Herman Marsalis Frederick  
Vermeule John Marsalis

mark  
John X Marsalis  
his  
John X Marsalis  
his



I now call Men by these presents That I Thomas Pount  
Pount of the County of Middlesex and Province of East Essex by  
Lawyer for Divers Good Causes and Considerations one thousand  
Making. Do Release and for ever Quitt Claim unto Herman & H  
Marbles of the Same Place. Yeoman all my Right Title Propri-  
ty Claim and Demand for in and to one Certain Tract or Parcel of  
of Land Situate lying and being in the Purchase of Elizabeth Town  
lying on the South Side of Green Brook so called, Beginning  
at a Stake on the South Side of Green Brook: thence South Easterly  
five Degrees and Thirty minuts East Twenty nine Chains and thirty  
links to a Stake in the West line; thence North East Thirteen  
Chains and fifty nine links to a Stake: thence North Easterly  
five Degrees and Thirty minuts West Thirteen Chains and Eighteen  
links to a Peach Tree Close by Green Brook Marked in three  
Sides thence down the Brook to the first mentioned Stake  
Containing by Estimation Sixty four Acres and Three Quarters  
of Land be the same more or less Bounded on the North West  
by Green Brook North East by Land of P. Herman Marbles if  
he bought of the Committee of Elizabeth Town South by the West H  
line South West by David Corriell; Also Another Tract or  
Parcel of Land lying in the Purchase of Elizabeth Town afore  
said on the head of the Land of Thomas Pount above said and H  
David Corriell's Land on the North Side of Green Brook; and  
partly on the first Mountain lying for Twenty six Acres  
of Land Bounded: South Westerly by John Vaill and me  
the P. Thomas Pount South Easterly by David Corriell And  
Thomas Pount Land North Easterly by Joseph Hulls Land and  
North West by P. first mountain Both P. Tracts of Land  
above mentioned being part of that Tract of Land that I the P.  
Thomas Pount bought of Peter Marbles and Peter Stugesford  
of the County of Bergen in the Province afore said by a Deed of  
Sale bearing Date the Seventh Day of November A.D. 1746  
Relation therunto had both and will more fully and at large  
Appear, Do Have and Do Hold Express in writ and  
Enjoy all the P. Lands and Promises with their and every of  
their Appurtenances without any let Resistance Molestation  
Disturbance Repulsion or Interruption of me the P. Thomas Pount  
my heirs Exors or Adors or any other Person or Persons who to  
ever Claiming the Same or any part or parcel thereof for me  
in any name by any Cause means Action Consent or Procurement  
In Witness Whereof I the P. Thomas Pount have hereunto  
put my hand and Seal this Seventh Day of May A.D. 1746  
Don't in One thousand Seven Hundred and forty Seven

Sealed and Delivered  
In the presence of Us

Thomas Pount

David Corriell

Edward Willmott



Be it Remembred that on the Fifth Day of October One Thousand Seven  
Hundred & Seventy Three David Corrie one of the Subscribing witnesses  
to the within Lit. Claim came before <sup>me</sup> Rouno Blunyon, one of the Judges of  
the Inferiour Court of Common Pleas for the County of Middlesex and being  
duly sworn saith he was present & saw the within named Thomas Bound  
Grantor, Sign Seal & Deliver the within Instrument as his own free &  
Voluntary Act & Deed for the Uses & purposes therein mentioned

Rouno Blunyon

From Thomas Bound to Thomas Blunyon

A Quitt Claim from Thomas Bound to Thomas Blunyon 1774



Memorandum of goods that Remains unsold  
which Belongeth to the Estate of the Deceased Mormon  
Marshall

To 1 mutton meat  
To one Round table  
To one horse  
To one Meat Cask  
To one Silver Tub  
To one feeder salt tub. With a gallon of hogg fat  
To five Knives and forks  
To one Iron Pot  
To one Iron Skillet  
To one Taster  
To sundry Spoons  
To one Earthen Plate  
To one Currier  
To Eleven Bags  
To one Knot of Trea  
To one Bar of Iron  
To ten Bushels of Indian Corn  
To ten Pounds of fat of a fatter horse  
To saw mill Hogg which he allowed for to the Estate  
To Two pounds five and six pence of the due from Eda Marshall

This is a true account of the goods and wares that Remains  
unsold all Erors Excepted the Inve being drawn from  
the Books  
Erectly Copied of



Copy of the  
good Shepherd's words  
from the Bible of  
Mormon's Marvels

W. H. H.



A true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods and Chattles Rig  
Middlesex in the Eastern Division of the Province of New Jersey deceased, Lippincott

Cash	£ 0:16:0
Bonds, Bills and Notes amounting to	100:18:2
Book Debts amounting to	27:12:8
Wearing Apparell	12:0:0
One Bed and Furniture there of	12:0:0
Table Linnea with Sundrys	3:10:0
7 Yards of Lawsey	27/- 2:9:0
2 Chimney Coals with Sundrys	0:15:0
1 small Box with Tea Tackling	1:5:0
6 Tea Kittle with Glasses, Earthen Ware and Sundrys	1:15:0
Tin Ware and Baskets	0:16:0
Earthen and Stone Jugs and Potts	0:9:0
Peaster	3:0:0
Bales, Tubs, Bowles and other wooden Ware	1:0:0
Knives and Forks	0:5:0
Iron Potts and 1 Chafin Dish	2:0:0
2 Kittles	3:0:0
1 Cupboard & 1 Desk	5:10:0
1 Trunk, Chest & Case of Bottles	1:10:0
2 Spinning Wheels	0:15:0
1 Bible and other small Books	0:12:0
Buttons and Mohair	0:4:0
1 Saddle & 1 pr of Bridle Bitts	0:18:9
1 pair of Smooling Irons and other small Iron Ware	0:16:0
1 1/4 lb Weight and 1 pr Cards	0:12:0
3 Guns and 1 Box of Flint	4:10:0
Pork, Beef and Barrels	5:0:0
Wheat on the Ground	10:0:0
Wheat Unthrashed	5:0:0
Oats Unthrashed	0:10:0
Clean'd Wheat to the Value of	15:0:0
Indian Corn in Ears	7:0:0
Buckwheat Clean'd	1:0:0
1 Woman's Saddle & Bridle	2:10:0
1 Corn Fange Flax, Wool and Yarn	2:1:0
Cuthbert Hutchins } Hannah & Harrold } Executors Peter Marselis }	



into and credits belonging to Hannu. The above date of presentation in the County of  
 ed by the subscribers hereof this 13. day of January 1747/6

Three Hares a brace & 1 Hatched	£ 1:0:0
Hayes & Team eachling	0:10:0
four sorts of Harts	6:15:0
1 Lighted or 2 Hens	0:9:0
1 Sea Hare & 1 Hare Hide	1:2:0
3 Rabbits & 1 Looking Glass	3:0:0
2 Hares & 1 Quail	1:2:6
2 Pairs of Hares & 1 Pair of Hares	3:0:0
2 Rabbits, 1. Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	1:5:0
1 Gun Dock, 1 Hot Bag, 1 Powder Horn & 1 Ammunition with Sundry	1:0:14:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	1:0:0
2 Hares & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	1:0:0
1 Gun Dock with Sundry	0:13:0
1 Wagon	10:0:0
1 Hare	3:10:0
2 Hares	0:3:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	0:9:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	1:5:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	0:14:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	1:10:0
3 Hares	7:10:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	0:16:0
2 Hares & 1 Hare	20:0:0
4 Hares	17:0:0
3 Hares & 1 Hare, a Hare, a Hare & 1 Hare	3:0:0
2 Hares & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	0:13:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	17:0:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	1:0:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	1:4:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	8:0:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	0:10:0
1 Hare & 1 Hare & 1 Hare	6:0:0

Small Horn Drum  
 David Crill  
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 A true Copy of the Original filed in the  
 prerogative Office at the County  
 Examined by John Smith Esq



An Account of Money Paid by Peter Mersullis Executor  
of the Estate of Harmonus Mersullis on account of said Estate

To James Willson in full of his Note & Interest	£ 4 - 2 - 4
To Hannah Robins in part of her Legacy	80 - 0 - 0
To David Ruckman the Balance of his account in full	11 - 0 - 0
To Idem Mersullis the Balance of his acct.	10 - 17 - 11
To Peter Low paid to George Hagawout	1 - 7 - 6
To Peter Humble & Comp <sup>ts</sup> in full of Accounts	64 - 16 - 11
To Jonathan Durr for David Correll for Appraising	7 - 0 - 0
To Anthony Matthews in full of his fathers Account	6 - 19 - 8
To Samuel Andrews on Account of Harmonus Mersullis	12 - 0 - 0
To Peter Boget for gloves for the funeral	3 - 6 - 0
To Elias VanCourt the Balance of his acct.	6 - 9 - 0
To Cornelius Low paid in full of his acct.	3 - 5 - 4½
To Edward Willmott in full of his acct.	5 - 0 - 0
To Richard Corine in full	4 - 1 - 0
To Richard Sudder in full	3 - 6 - 0
To Benj <sup>n</sup> Croso in full	1 - 7 - 0
To John Stille for writing a deed	3 - 6 - 0
To Isaac Dotey in full	3 - 6 - 0
To Peter Humble in part of a Note	18 - 4 - 2
To Andrew Johnson the Principle Interest & Lost of his Bond	236 - 13 - 7
To James Alexander in part of the Interest of his Bond	14 - 0 - 0
To Joseph Hull in part of the purchase of Land	36 - 12 - 6
To Moses Lowzade in full of his Bond & Interest	107 - 0 - 0
To Hannah Lowzade in full of Acc <sup>t</sup> of her Husband	6 - 14 - 11
To Cash paid for Peter Mersullis's account for gloves at funeral	1 - 19 - 0
To Cash paid for a Copy of the Will & Probate &c.	2 - 5 - 5
To W <sup>m</sup> Robins in full of the Bond given him for the	26 - 11 - 5
Balance in the Hands of the said Peter Mersullis	3
To Expences attending the appraisement Proving the will &c.	2 - 7 - 7
	£ 629 - 5 - 1½



Know all Men by these presents that We William  
Robins and Hannah my Wife for and in Consideration of a  
certain Obligation signed by Peter Marsalis to us jointly  
conditioned for the Payment of thirty shillings proclamation  
money of New Jersey yearly and Every to Hannah the Wife of the  
aforesaid William Robins and for divers other causes and  
Considerations us hereunto especially moving Have remised  
Relieved and forever quit Claimed and by these presents —  
Do forever Remise Release and quit Claim unto the aforesaid  
Peter Marsalis all our Right, Title, Claim or Demand  
whatsoever of Thirds or Right of Dower of in and to a  
certain Tract of Land of the which the said Peter Marsalis  
is now the sole and only Proprietor and of which he is now  
in Possession, which Tract or Piece of Land was formerly  
Devised by Harmanus Marsalis by Will to the said  
Peter Marsalis and We do hereby for the Considerations  
aforesaid Do acknowledge ourselves to be fully satisfied  
Contented paid and of and from the aforesaid Thirds or right  
of Dower Do acquit Exonerate & discharge the said Peter  
Marsalis from being Executors and Administrators forever  
As Witness our hands and Seals this fifteenth day of  
march In the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven  
hundred and sixty Nine. 1769. — Wm Robins

Hannah Robins

Sealed & Delivered  
in presence of —  
Thomas Woodruff  
Isaac Harris —



12th June 1891. William Collins.

p. L. H. b. h.



Northcarolina April 25 1770

Deere uncul this is to let you no that I am in good health  
hoping the Lord find you in the same I shuld be very  
glad to here from you all but noing you have no oppor-  
tunity to let me no I woud be glad you woud <sup>write</sup> ~~write~~ <sup>my</sup> ~~my~~ <sup>no</sup> ~~no~~ <sup>how</sup>  
I am if she is in them parts and remember ni cind love to him  
and to granfather and grane and to oll mi frends and relation  
I am @ work @ my trade in anson country on the river pede  
but I expect to work in Southcarolina the most part  
of this summer y<sup>e</sup> I shal be home in the fall some time a  
tose the latter end mabe not before Desember and shal com by  
worter from gorge town in South carolina I shal tri the  
se once more and I beleve the last for I had such a bad  
passage acuming that the old sailors that every minnit  
woud be the last our ballis shifted wick in the sailors  
criout the vessel cant live ~~the~~ the storm held one night  
and day these run hie then aver I see a mounten in  
mi life I sent you a letter from Alburn last ginnewary  
I dont ~~expect~~ expect to have enne opportunity to rite  
a gin you can tel muncul John Hutchens that his  
brother Anthoni is well and his famili and James  
and his fommi li ~~that~~ that I have had sa. ten news



of his brother homes that he is hee in genere of  
his ellage ties force to weds the hee of mase sippe  
and that antony's marid and has three children

Josep french and his famili is well James the Miller  
Lives with him and toke of going to Mase sippe for there  
is matter of a hundred families going of Mase sippe  
in Juli

So wood have you to lede the in  
interriz of the ~~interriz~~ mone at bargin

And if I Live I shal beartin like hom I be home  
at Desember So remane yours ever cosen

Peter Merzeles

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Sept 22 1770

Mr  
To  
Luke Covert Living in East  
New Jersey in the County of  
Essex On Green Brook  
In favour of  
Mrs Cath<sup>r</sup> Hunter



An Opportunity Presenting by M<sup>r</sup>. Forgerfon, who is  
traveling into New England, I make use of it to let  
you know that we are in general in good health  
except my Youngest Child, who has been much  
troubled with the fever and Ague this Winter and  
latter part of Fall. but is now getting better. the rest  
of us have had our healths very well all winter  
and I hope these may find you in the same State.  
the small Pox has been pretty thick and mortal in  
these parts this winter and many are dead with it  
among which number is Peter messelison. who died  
about a fortnight ago. but <sup>we</sup> have as yet made out to keep  
clear of it. I have sent several Letters to you, which  
I know not whether you have received or not,  
and I hope you will not fail to let me hear from  
you by every Opportunity, be particular in inform-  
ing me how you and your Family, and all our  
Friends in your Parts are,

we like this Place full as well as we expected, and  
find the People very kind to us. but as the bearer  
is just setting off I must conclude Subscribing  
myself your affectionate Brother  
Peter Harris  
Carolina Feb. 12. 1771



To  
Mr James Harris

Do be left at Mr } in Scotland  
Wife's in } N. Jersey  
N. Brunswick }



To all People to whom these Presents &  
shall come. William Robins and  
Hannah his wife sendeth greeting.  
Whereas the said William Robins and  
Hannah his wife is Possessed of and  
Interested as a Right of Dower to one  
Third Part of all that Piece or Parcell  
of Land herein after mentioned and  
described, by virtue of the said Hannah  
being the wife of One Harmones Mar-  
shalls in his life time who was Possessed  
of the said Piece or Parcell of Land  
which lies Part in the County of Middlesex  
and Part in the County of Essex  
and in the Province of East New  
Jersey and Begins at a Stone on the  
South Side of Green Brook and from thence  
Running South Twenty <sup>Seven</sup> Degrees East Nineteen  
Chains and twenty Three links to the Corner  
of the Land of the said William Robins  
Thence South fifty five Degrees West five  
Chains and Seven links. Thence South  
Twenty Seven Degrees East Thirteen Chains  
and thirty three links. Thence North Sixty  
Three Degrees East Seven Chains and three  
links. Thence South Twenty Seven Degrees  
East Nineteen Chains and Sixty links to  
the Corner of the Land of Thompson still  
Thence



Thence South Sixty Six Fathoms West Eleven  
Chains and forty links along said Mills  
line to the Corner thereof Thence South  
Thirty Fathoms East Eight Chains and  
Forty Links to the Poor line Thence  
Westerly along the said Line to the  
Corner of the Land of Peter Marfalis  
Thence North Twenty Seven Fathoms West  
along said Peters Line to the said Green  
Brook Thence up the said Green Brook  
To the Place where it first Began  
Containing One Hundred and Ten Acres  
Be the same more or less. Bounded North  
Easterly by Land of Zachariah Pounding.  
William Robins and Thompson Mill  
~~South Easterly~~ by Land of the said Peter  
Marfalis and Northerly by the said Green  
Brook. For the Remainder of the Natural  
Life of the said Hannah Now the wife  
of the said William Robins. And the  
Reversion whereof now doth belong to  
Thomas Griffin of the Borough of Elizabeth  
and County of Somerset and Province afore  
said. NOW KNOW YE that the said William  
Robins and Hannah his wife for and in  
Consideration of the sum of Forty five  
Pounds Current Money of the Eastern Divi  
sion of the Province of New Jersey at Eight  
Shillings the ounce to them in Hand Paid  
By the said Thomas Griffin The Receipt  
Whereof the said William Robins and  
Hannah



Hannah his wife doth hereby confess and  
acknowledge They the said William Robins  
and Hannah his wife have Surrendered  
and yielded up and by these Presents  
Doth Surrender and yield up unto the  
said Thomas Griffin his Heirs and Assigns  
Forever all their Right of Dower and  
Power of thirds of in and to the said Piece  
or Parcell of Land and Promises above  
mentioned and all the Estate Right Title  
Interest Claim and Demand whatsoever  
of them the said William Robins and  
Hannah his wife of in and to the said  
Promises and every Part thereof with  
The Appurtenances so that neither they  
The said William Robins and Hannah his  
wife their Executors Adm<sup>r</sup>s or Assigns  
or any of them shall or may have  
Claim Challenge or Demand the said Pro-  
mises or any Part thereof or any Estate  
Right Title or Interest of in and to the same  
But shall at all times Hereafter of and  
from all Right Title and Interest of in &  
To the said Promises and every Part thereof  
Be Barred and forever Excluded by these  
Presents. And the said William Robins &  
Hannah his wife for themselves their Ex-  
ecutors Adm<sup>r</sup>s and Assigns do Covenant  
and Grant to and with the said Thomas  
Griffin his Heirs and Assigns that they  
The said Thomas Griffin his Heirs and Assigns  
shall and may at all Times hereafter



Peaceably and Quietly enter into have hold  
occupy Possess and enjoy all and singular the  
said Piece or Parcel of Land and Promises  
above mentioned and every Part thereof  
with the Appurtenances without the  
let Trouble Hindrance Molestation Inter-  
ruption or Denial of them the said  
William Robins and Hannah his wife  
Their Executors Adm<sup>r</sup> or Assigns or of any  
other Person or Persons whatsoever claim-  
ing the same by from or under them  
In Witness whereof the said William  
Robins and Hannah his <sup>wife</sup> have Herunto  
set their Hands and Seals this eighteenth  
Day of March and in the year of our  
~~Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty one~~

Sealed & Delivered  
In the Presence of  
Thomson & Co.  
Joseph Morse jun<sup>r</sup>

W<sup>m</sup> Robins

Hannah Robins

William Robins &  
Hannah his wife  
to  
Thos<sup>r</sup> Griffin



I know all men by these presents that I Anthony Hutchins of  
Fort Mifflin in West Florida do hereby constitute and appoint  
Peter Allen in my name to sell and dispose of Any Horses or Cattle  
I have running upon Holston River or elsewhere and that he  
may in my behalf receive the money arising from such sale  
and that he may execute such instrument <sup>to convey my property</sup> of writing as shall  
be as binding upon me as if it was made and sealed and  
I myself personally present witness my hand and seal  
the 5<sup>th</sup> day of November 1772

Test  
William Donal

Anthony Hutchins. *Platz*  
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Power of Attorney  
J. H. H. H.



Dear unkel I take <sup>this</sup> opportunity to inform you

That I am in good health ~~may~~ hoping this will find you and all Relations in the same I have had my health for the most part very well Since I left the Jerseys I am now on Cape Fear River in North Carolina in the County Cumberland near I have worked eleven months past at my Trade but am now bent to leave this Province and remove to West Florida and expect to set off to morrow the time of my return is on sartin

I saw Trebe Jackson a Court a week ago who informed me that I left the Jerseys 6 or 8 weeks ago and tells me ~~that~~ you wair allingood with all so of the Death of ant Bette Smith and all so of the Surprisin on timble Land of my unkel Smith and all so that my Mother ~~I~~ informed her of Sumpollitickel Pearson me while be groge is me milife has taken a ponther <sup>to</sup> sartin my Death ~~for~~ the sake of geon But thanks be to God I am well and hopey with will be to their great disadvantage Pleas to inform my unkel Luke Covert that I Depend a pon him as a true and trusty a get hoping and expecting he will ~~be~~ do for the best in respect to my estate left with him I have had very good success at my Trade During <sup>my</sup> abstance. Pleas to remember <sup>my</sup> Duty to <sup>my</sup> Mother and all Relations and friends

October 25<sup>th</sup> 1772.

Yr Affec<sup>t</sup>ed Son  
Peter Meselis

P.S. for letter in quiar in the Post office in New York

Pleas to write to me if you have opportunity direct them to Cournel Anthony Wittens at Fort ~~not~~ on Mass Sipia River note he



No 8

Mr. Cornelius Vermalinus  
living in New York

of favour of  
Mr. In. Roberts }

Near

Sound Brook



North Carolina Cumberland County -  
That the Bearer hereof Peter Marselis has lived  
in this town for several Years, always Behaving him-  
self civilly, honestly & inoffensively is free of all publick  
Scandall or Ground of Church Censure here; and as he  
now intends leaving the Country, we know no Reason  
why he may not be received unto any Christian Society  
or Parishes where Providence may order his Lot  
Given under our hands & Seals this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June  
1775 -

Robt. Eccleson J. P.

George Mykney J. P.



Dear Cousin

White Apple Village near Fort Mifflin Aug 26<sup>th</sup> 1775

I have look'd for you ever since  
the time you said you intended to be here, and shall  
be glad to know whether you intend to come or not,  
as the amount of the note you left in your Aunt  
hands may be sent you. Mr Wright is not yet come  
from Carolina being afraid of indian incursions, those  
dangers are now removed, & he may probably be here  
soon, the Land office I suppose you have been  
informed was shut immediately after you left  
Pensacola so that nothing could be done about  
Lands otherwise to the officers right, the office  
is now open for small Quantities from one to three  
Hundred acres according to the circumstances & number  
of the family and the time of their coming into the  
Province, but we expect the office will open  
in a short time on an other plan, (that is that  
any person may be admitted to what Quantity he  
shall think proper which he shall purchase at  
Vendue at not less than six pence Sterling p<sup>r</sup> acre,  
my love to your Mamma & her Husband to all  
your brother & sister, your <sup>your uncle John</sup> Aunt Susanna, and  
all friends, in the greatest haste.

Dear Cousin

Yours &c

Anthony Hutchinson



1775

Sept. August 26 1775

Wm. Mowbray

Wm. Mowbray

near Brown Brook

Wm. Mowbray

Wm. Mowbray


Wm. Mowbray




Be it known to all whom  
it may concern. that it is this 10<sup>th</sup>, fully and  
finally agreed concluded & determined upon  
between the Parties underscritten Viz, Thomas  
Basket Planter on Mobile River on the  
one part and Peter Mercelis Planter  
on the said River on the other. That is  
the said Thomas Basket doth grant lett  
& lease unto the said Peter Mercelis  
a Tract of land at the mouth of Alabama  
River on the south east side of said river  
bounded on the upper side by a lower  
line tree of a Tract of land now sold and  
possessed by the above Thomas Basket &  
the lower side by a Watercress tree marked  
with three notches & a line with the mouth  
of a Creek called Four Creeks running by  
the above mentioned tract belonging to Thomas  
Basket and that for the space of four  
years commencing from the date hereof.  
In Consideration that the said Peter  
Mercelis doth agree to pay & bargain  
to pay tender and deliver unto the said  
Thomas Basket a pepper corn yearly in  
the same should be by him demanded.  
And it is further agreed between the Parties  
above written that the said Peter Mercelis  
shall himself only occupy possess & cultivate  
the above mentioned Tract of land.



space and term of four years and doth hereby  
renew all right whatever to assign or  
make over any part of the said Term of years  
to any person or persons And in case accident  
or Business should render it necessary for  
the said Peter Herschlis to quit the said  
Tract of land before the Expiration of the  
said Term of four years that then and  
in that case the said tract of land shall  
return to and revert to the said Thomas Baskett  
in the same manner as if this lease and  
Bargain had never taken place Sealed  
with our hands & seals this  
fifteenth day of May in the year of our  
Lord One thousand seven hundred and  
seventy nine

Thos. Baskett 

Peter Herschlis 

Sealed and delivered  
in presence of  
John Stewart  
Peter Turnbull



Mr. Thos. Beckett  
to Mr. Hamilton  
Leave May 15th  
1779



I have perused and considered the will of Harman  
Manseliv and I am thereupon of opinion that  
the devise to the son John and his heirs forever  
creates a fee simple, and that therefore the  
Peter had good right to convey the same in fee  
simple either by deed or last will of testament.

I have also considered the power of attorney  
executed by the<sup>d</sup> Peter to Luke Lount, and it  
is very clear that the<sup>d</sup> Lount, in discharge of  
his trust, ought to lease out the real Estate  
without any reference to, or direction from the  
Brother; because if Peter be dead it is devised  
from the Brother, and if he is living (which  
is the case for aught appearing to the contrary)  
the brother hath no pretence of claim.

Rich<sup>d</sup> Stockton

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20<sup>th</sup> Apr. 1779



Whereas the acting Executors to the last Will and Testament of my Father Herman Marsaille of Middlesex County in the Eastern division of the Province of New Jersey, did sell and dispose of a certain Piece or parcel of Land which was bequeathed to me John Marsaille by the aforesaid deceased, and therewith did discharge certain Debts due from my aforesaid Father. Now know ye that for and in consideration of Fifty Pounds Current Money of said Eastern Division to me in hand paid by my brother Peter Marsaille Do by these presents for myself and my Heirs Executors acquit release and for Ever discharge the said Peter Marsaille and his Heirs from all demands I have against him the said Peter in that behalf and from all other Debts dues and demands whatsoever. Witness my hand and seal the Twelfth day of March Anno Domini 1769. —

Sealed and Delivered  
in the presence of

Luke Covert

Edw Vermeule

John Marsaille



John Marshall  
to  
Peter Marshall

Believe



John Marshall  
to  
Peter Marshall

Belcare



M<sup>r</sup> Peter Morris

Dear Nephew

Hatchez 30<sup>th</sup> September 1799.

I received your Letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> April last and am glad to hear of the welfare of your Children, and of the recovering state of your spouse, And as years roll on you as well as others must expect more and more to feel the effects of the accidents and misfortunes of early days; You have generally enjoyed a tolerable share of health which of course will decline & vanish as age advances, it indeed gives me pleasure to hear that you are no worse than you represent. — I thank you for the account you gave me of your Aunt M<sup>r</sup> Lane & family & rejoice to hear they are well. —

M<sup>r</sup> Jones you say informed you that this Country was properly Organized under the United States: It is organized its true, & the Inhabitants are firmly attached to the cause and interest of Government, yet they are very unhappy and dissatisfied with the Administration here in many respects, nor are their complaints quite causeless which from certain circumstances cannot be easily remedied, which time will convince when it may be too late, for through false representations of the profligate Eliot too much attended too together with ridiculous appointments & unwarrantable laws formed here, when Laws adopted agreeable to the Ordinance would have been less exceptionable, and which hath



caused many of the best of the people to leave the Dominion. I only touch a little upon this matter to shew by a hint only the unpleasant living here. —

And as to the Lands of this Country you know hath chiefly been granted by British Grants and since are held by Spanish Titles, and cultivated and improved for years past under such recent Grants. This seems to be the situation of most of the Lands at the Natchez, and such is the case with one of the Tracts you mention that lies adjacent to me. The other tract on the Homochitto that you say is the Claim of M<sup>r</sup> Livingston, <sup>may or may not be</sup> ~~may or may not be~~ ~~ungranted~~ ~~not~~ ~~can~~ I inform you much about it as I was never on that tract, but am told that the greatest part of it is very uneven & full of Hills besides it is said that the beginning Tree is destroyed by some means or other and that a M<sup>r</sup> Gailord has lately made an improvement on the best part of the tract with intent of shoving the survey a little higher up, therefore it will be hard to ascertain the Tract with exactness as the lines were never extended, yet I believe the place where the beginning tree stood may yet be proved by those who live near the Land. —

I suppose it will not be long until it will be known which of the Grants here shall be most valid that of Britain or that of Spain, and I would advise that you have no concerns in disputed Lands till that point be settled, yet I am <sup>not clear but</sup> ~~not clear but~~ ~~not clear but~~ that there ~~will~~ ~~be~~ ~~another~~ ~~disputes~~ in that of M<sup>r</sup> Livingston then what may arise from the contrivance of Gailord



I will make a further enquiry about that ~~land~~ tract as well to  
serve M<sup>r</sup> Livingston as you, and <sup>will</sup> communicate such information as  
soon as I can get good intelligence. —

I am in a poor state of health occasioned I suppose by past  
hardship & trouble & by the decline of life. My wife & family are all  
well ~~and join me~~ and join me in our love to you your S, sup & children  
and believe that I am

Dear Nephew your affectionate Uncle  
A. Hutchins

P.S. I can not say any thing of the selling  
price of land as there are neither sellers nor  
buyers at this time, they all wait to know the  
fate of the Spanish grants, but the chief that  
hath been sold is at about 2 Dollars per acre  
A.H.

N.B. your brother George is with Eliot on the line,  
it is long since I saw him. Peter & Ephraim  
Morrells are at the Camps being both in  
the service as Sergeants, they were well  
a short time past — A.H.

Excuse this rough & little despatch  
I have not time to correct nor  
transcribe it — A.H.



told that  
it was

Mr. Peter Marseller

Middlesex County near bound Brook

State of New Jersey

Received of Mr. Peter Marseller  
the sum of \$100.00





I know all men by these presents, that I Luke Covert of the County  
of Essex and State of New Jersey Farmer, am held and firmly bound  
unto Peter Merselius of the County and State aforesaid, <sup>Carpenter</sup> in the sum  
of five hundred pounds procleration Money, to be paid unto the said  
Peter Merselius or his certain Attorney heirs, Executors, Administrators,  
or Assigns, to the which payment well and truly to be made and done  
I do hereby bind myself, my heirs, Executors, Administrators, and every  
of them, firmly by these presents, Sealed with my seal. Dated this  
first Day of December 1783 —

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, that if the above  
bounded Luke Covert, his heirs, Executors, and Administrators, for his and  
their just and behalf, shall in all things well and truly stand to, obey,  
advise, observe, perform, fulfill, and keep, the award, order, Arbitrament,  
final end and Determination, of Thomas Woodruff Esq, of the County  
of Essex, Wm Van Court of the County of Somerset, and Thomas Mansop  
of the County of Middlesex, Arbitrators indifferently elected named and chosen  
as well on the part and behalf of the said Luke Covert, as on the  
part and behalf of the said Peter Merselius, to Arbitrate, award, order,  
judge, and Determine, of and concerning, of all manner of Action, and  
Actions, cause, and causes, actions, suits, contracts, promises, Accounts  
sums of Money, controversies, trespasses, damages, and Demands  
whosoever, at any time heretofore had, made, moved, brought, com=  
menced, sued, prosecuted, done, suffered, committed, or <sup>in</sup> any manner of  
wise Depending, by or between the said parties, or as the Award of the  
said Arbitrators, or any two of them, be made and put in Writing  
under their hands and seals, ready to be Delivered to the said  
parties in Difference, on or before the first Day of January  
next ensuing this above Date, that then the above obligation to  
be void and of none effect, otherwise to stand and remain in full force  
and virtue —

Sealed and Delivered in presence of

Lair Lennex  
Thomson Clerk

Luke Covert



Duke Court }  
to }  
Peter Marselis } Bond

Arbitration Bond



Sir

Princeton July 24th 1783

I have this Moment receivd  
a Letter from M<sup>rs</sup> Morgan, at Philadelphia,  
informing me that she has receivd the Money,  
I will bring it up either this day or tomorrow  
herself. You may recollect that  
I complained, when you was at my House,  
of not being well— Since then I have  
had a violent Attack of the Fever, so  
that it is possible it may be out of my  
Power to wait on you with the Money agree-  
-able to Appointment, but you may rest  
assured that nothing but a violent return  
of ~~the~~ Fever shall prevent me. Should  
that be the Case, & I cannot find a  
safe Hand to send it by, I hope you  
will excuse the Trouble of being obliged  
to come up yourseff—

I am Sir

Your most humb Servant

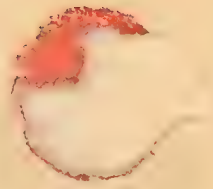
M<sup>r</sup> Peter Messailles

Geo: Morgan



To  
Mr. Peter Versailles  
In the particular Care of Mr. Drake  
Inn-Holder

Stage New Brunswick





To all people to whom these Presents shall Come or may  
Concern, Wee Thomas Woodruff, Elias Van Court, & Thomas Fitch Randolph  
do send Greeting.

Whereas divers disputes & differences have arisen & yet depending  
Between Peter Marselis & Luke Covert, for the Appeasing, Pacifying  
and determining whereof, the Parties have Submitted themselves  
and are become Bound to each other in the Penal Sum of five  
hundred Pounds Proclamation Money to stand to, Obey, abide,  
Observe, Perform fulfil and keep the Award, Order, Arbitrament  
final end and determination of us the said Thomas Woodruff  
Elias Van Court & Thomas Fitch Randolph <sup>(or any two of them)</sup> Arbitrators indifferently  
Chosen, Elected & Named by the above Parties to arbitrate, Award, order,  
Judge & determine all such disputes & differences, as in & by their  
several Bonds or Obligations with Conditions there under Written  
Bearing date the first day of this Instant December 4/83  
Reference there unto being had, the same doth more fully appear  
Now Know ye that we the said Arbitrators here unto Subscribed being  
willing to take upon us the Burden of the said Award & Arbitrament  
and being minded to settle Unity & friendship Between P. Parties  
do thereupon Make & put into Writing this our Award & Arbitration  
Touching the Premises, and after hearing & duly considering the  
Proofs & Allegations of Both P. Parties, do thereupon Agree  
and first wee do Award, order & determine that the said Luke  
Covert is Justly Indebted to said Peter Marselis the Sum  
of thirty Pounds Lawful Money of the State of New Jersey  
which wee do here by order him to pay at or before the Expiration  
of Six Months from the date here of with lawful Interest for  
the same untill paid, which said Sum when paid shall be  
Conclusive Between P. Parties, as Touching all Accounts  
& demands, of all kinds of Personal Affairs whatsoever between  
said Parties, untill the day of the date hereof, and for then wee  
do Award & determine that the said Luke Covert shall Relinquish  
& deliver up all the Premises which he hath Occupied belonging  
to P. Peter, unto the said Peter Marselis in to his Quiet Possession  
and that part of P. Premises Under Rent to Thomas Covert, he shall  
Not be Molested during his Term, so had, from P. Luke Covert  
as an Attorney of P. Peter Marselis, but the Benefits arising

Arising from said Thomas Covert Occupying that Part  
of the Premises, to become the Property of Peter Marsch's  
or his Assigns, and that the Parties shall be equal in the  
Costs of this Arbitration, In Testimony of this our  
Award we have hereunto set our hands & seals the  
tenth day of December in the Year of our Lord one  
Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty three 1783

Thomas Woodruff

Elias V. Covert

Thomas Fitz Randolph

Recd one years Interest on the within Obligation  
Decem<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1784

Peter Marsch's



To all christian People to whom these Presents shall come know ye that I Thomas Woodruff of the County of Essex in the State of New-Jersey Yeoman for and in Consideration of the Sum of seven Pounds Current Money of sd. State to me in hand paid by Peter Merselis of the Place abovesd. The Receipt thereof to my full Satisfaction Have Granted Bargained Sold and Conveyed and by these Presents do fully freely and Absolutely Grant Bargain Sell Convey and Confirm unto the sd. Peter Merselis and to his Heirs and Assigns forever. Fourteen Acres of Purchase Right of Elisabeth Town Right to take up so much unsurveyed Land on the Right of John Gould one of the Associates of sd. Elisabeth Town which Right I the sd. Thomas Woodruff now am the Lawful owner To have and to hold the aforesd. fourteen Acres of Town Right with all the Privileges Advantages and Appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging or in any manner of Ways appertaining unto the sd. Peter Merselis his Heirs and Assigns forever to his and their Sole and only use Benefit and Behoof forever And I the sd. Thomas Woodruff and my Heirs all the abovesd. Purchase Right of fourteen Acres of Land to be taken up on the South Side of the first Mountain with all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging unto him the sd. Peter Merselis and to his Heirs and Assigns forever, so that neither I the sd. Thomas Woodruff nor any other Person shall not have any just and Lawful Claim to the sd. fourteen Acres of Right but shall be and remain free and clear unto him the sd. Peter Merselis and to his Heirs and Assigns forever And lastly I the sd. Thomas Woodruff does hereby Promise and agree to and with him the sd. Peter Merselis To warrant, and Defend the sd. Right against the just and Lawful Claim of all manner



ner of Persons. In Witness hereof I the sd. Thomas Woodruff  
have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this thirteenth Day  
of October in the Year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hun-  
dred and Eighty three ————— 1783.

Sealed and delivered } Thomas Woodruff  
In the Presence of }  
Samuel Woodruff  
William Cole.

Essex County } ss. Be it remembered that on this third day of  
Nov. 1783 }  
November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven  
hundred & eighty three. Thomas Woodruff Esq. personally  
came & appeared before me the subscriber one of the Judges  
of the Superior Court of Common Pleas in & for said  
County and acknowledged that he freely & voluntarily  
signed & delivered the foregoing Deed of Grant  
Bargain & Sale as his Act & Deed for the purposes  
therein mentioned: Given under my hand this day  
of Year above written ————— He, Thomas Woodruff



Dear Brother / London August 25 1786

Nothing in the world would give me  
greater satisfaction than to hear from you  
I hope you won't fail writing to me  
by the first opportunity — — —

I don't expect to return to America any  
more as I find my self much more happy  
here this is one of the finest Ctries  
that my Eyes ever beheld and Government  
has bin as good as ad apension to my  
Half pay which will make me perfect  
ly happy I am going to live down in Essex  
County with a brother officer of mine  
Remember me to Frederick Vermuley  
and Edah David Correll and Daniel  
Whitehead and all in Lunning friend  
and Daniel Runyon Wm Robins  
Peter Marsalis                      Lunt Lake B L C

PS my address is white street Southwark Bureau  
This Country abounds with Every  
thing that is good and I Live as  
Well as I can wish

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Don't forget to Remember me John and  
Jemmy and Peter and Sally and Ephraim

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Peter Marsals Esq<sup>r</sup>

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Peter Marsalis Esq

Scots Mairs

New Jersey

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Whereas Daniel Whitehead of Bridgewater Township  
of the County of Somerset hath Conveyed and Sold a Lott of  
Land to Peter Mercelins of the County of Middlesex Containing  
Seven Acres by a certain Deed of Bargain & Sale Bearing Equal  
Date with these <sup>lying on Greenbrook</sup> Presents, with this Proviso that he the said Peter  
Mercekins his heirs & assigns shall have Priviledge to Pass and  
Repasse over the said Daniel Whiteheads Land from the said Seven Acre  
Lott to a two Rod Road Crossing said Whiteheads Land at such place  
or Places as will be the most Convenient for the said Peter Mercelins  
his heirs or assigns and at such Places as will be the Least Damage  
for the said Daniel Whitehead his heirs or assigns only for the use  
of the said Seven Acre Lott and not otherwise, and for the true  
Performance hereof the said Daniel Whitehead binds himself his  
heirs Executors & Adm<sup>rs</sup> in the Penall sum of Seventy Pounds  
Proclamation money. In witness whereof the said Daniel  
Whitehead hath hereunto set his hand and Seal this Sixth day  
of April In the year of our Lord Twenten hundred and Eighty seven  
Witness Present

David Coriell

Daniel Whitehead

Thomson Stells





this tell my Mother that I will be glad to  
will send me some apples in abundance  
most the people in the town of Strawn or Sawcut  
and all the country apples and pears  
I am very best compliments to John & Thom  
also Mr. Hunt and the Quakers and  
and family to George & James and all  
my loving friends who I hope to hear from  
that think it worth the while in writing  
if you can you will let me know when  
you get around down I long for  
you to be in the best of things  
you can think of

I remain your most  
affectionate brother  
Wm. Holmes & Co.

Gen. Marcus S. P. Capt. of

, 1st Regt. Minn. Inf.

— now in service of the U.S.

1864-1865



Whereas my son Peter Mersalis stands bound unto me Hannah  
Robins in a certain Obligation bearing Date on or about the fifteenth day  
of March in the year of Our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Sixty Nine,  
Conditioned for the just and full payment of Thirty shilling per. Year, for and  
During the space and Term of my Natural life, it being for my Right  
of Power in the Estate of my former Husband Harmanus Mersalis  
Deceased, who was Father of the said Peter, and I the said Hannah  
Robins being willing and Desirous to Discharge him the said  
Peter Mersalis his heirs and assigns of and from all or any further  
payment thereon. - Therefore know all men by these presents -  
that I the said Hannah Robins for and in Consideration of the  
Natural love, Good will and Affection which I have and bear to  
and for my said son Peter, Together with Divers Other Good causes  
and Considerations me hereunto Moving, Have remitted, Released  
and Discharged, and by these presents do fully freely and absolutely  
Remit, Release and Discharge him the said Peter Mersalis  
his heirs Executors Administrators and assigns forever, of and  
from all or any further payment on or Respecting the above Cited  
Obligation or any part thereof, as well what is Now Due as what  
May hereafter become Due thereon, as fully and Entirely as if  
Obligation had Never been Given. Excepting my said son Peter  
should die, and I the said Hannah should come to want or stand  
in Need thereof for my own support, Then and in that the lawful  
Representative of my said son Peter shall be Subject to pay  
so much thereof as may be Necessary for my own support as -  
Affs. when legally Demanded and No More. In witness -  
whereof I the said Hannah Robins have hereto set my  
hand and Seal this fifteenth Day of Sep<sup>r</sup> in the year of  
our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Ninety one.

Sealed and Delivered }  
In the presence of }  
John Willson  
Mary & Doughty his mark

Hannah Robins

Discharge from Thomas  
H. 11 to 13. 18. 18. 18.  
from the payment of a  
for the obligation.



Friday February 23 1793

My Dear Aunt

it is with pleasure I receive  
your letter & am glad to hear  
that of your Families - the Father and Mother  
are both in tolerable good health I wish as  
much as you will be glad to see the bearer of  
this letter & I am sure you will be happy  
at parting with him how painful it is for relatives to  
be separated he is the first ever parted with except  
one dear Brother who was caught in a sailing prize  
before we had heard of him & I am sure with the greatest  
pleasure you see his return in good health which  
I trust he will in a short time be in a measure  
to see you - is a young man of great spirit & you  
must be happy to hear of him & I am  
amiable Son. I shall be glad to hear from you  
as often as possible hope you received the letter  
I sent you some time ago papa mama and Family  
send affectionate respects to you and your Family

I shall be happy to hear from you  
I am your affectionate Son  
I am your affectionate Son  
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Yours affectionate Son  
and your Ever affectionate  
Nephew  
Elizabeth Mather

Elizabeth Hubbard

Come to hand 16<sup>th</sup> Day May 1794

See page 107

The General Assembly



Dear Sister

Hatchery 22 February 1794.

I write to you under a presumption that  
you are still alive, and hope you enjoy health and other  
blessings in your old age. I am much in the decline of life  
but still keep about. Our numerous family are all at present  
very well tho' we have lately had much sickness.

My wife and children all join in our respect &  
love to you and all your children especially to your sister  
with whom some of them are best acquainted. My good  
wishes attend you and all your children.

Dear Sister

I am Yours

Affectionate Brother

This I send you by Ceryn  
Percy Robbins

Wm. H. H. H.

M<sup>rs</sup> Hannah Robbins

Come to hand 16th Day May 1794

My dear Sir  
I have the honor to acknowledge  
the receipt of your letter of the 14th  
inst. and in answer to inform you  
that the same has been forwarded  
to the proper authorities for their  
consideration.



Dear Cousin

Natchez 23 Feb 1795

I received your Two Letters intended to have been sent by a Mr Davis, One dated 23 April 1794. & the other in May following in which you are so good as to give me an account of the death of your Mother and I rejoice to know that she had so happy a departure from this toilsome World. — her age was about 69 years. —

We are all glad to hear that you and your Family <sup>are well</sup> and also your Aunt Lane and her Family, And hope your Brother John and all the rest of your Brothers & Sisters & their families are well also, And to all of whom my Family joins me with the most affectionate regards & best wishes for their health & welfare in all respects. — My Family are all tolerable well as to health including those of my Daughter Mary Greens Family also. — I find myself greatly in the decline of life being in the 70th year of my age. —

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I thank you for the intelligence of the very extraordinary death of Col<sup>o</sup> Spencer which was singular indeed And I am sorry to say that the great distance which we lived apart has occasioned me to omit settling matters with him. Nor has he ever answered a single letter since the beginning of the unhappy contest between Great Britain & America And from circumstances of course I shall be a great loser by him. —

Your Aunt & Cousins here all join me in best wishes for the health & welfare of your wife your self & children And all your brothers & sisters wishing you every happiness in this life & that which is to come. —

Dear Cousin

I am your

Affectionate Uncle

Anthony Hutchins

M<sup>r</sup> Peter Morseillis



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